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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
	:	Examiner: Mark A. Milia
MASAKI KASHIWAGI)	
	:	Group Art Unit: 2622
Application No.: 09/879,008)	
	:	Confirmation No.: 3370
Filed: June 13, 2001)	
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For: IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS AND)	September 15, 2005
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COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

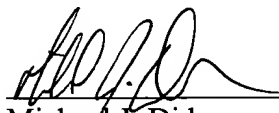
Sir:

Applicant, having received a Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due form (PTOL-85) dated August 12, 2005, submits the following comments on the Statement of Reasons for Allowance attached thereto.

In the Examiner's Reasons for Allowance, the Examiner listed reasons for allowance of the claims. However, the features noted by the Examiner do not accurately reflect what is recited in each of the independent claims. For example, none of the independent claims recites "repeatedly divid[ing] and manag[ing] a print/scan/copy job into smaller and smaller units." Nevertheless, Applicant respectfully submits that each of the pending claims is allowable for its combination of claimed features.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "M. J. Didas", is written over a horizontal line.

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